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B. 66161 1420307 C. 66190 1432573 1. APPRECIATE REF A RUNDOWN ON ALIAS ACKERMANN VISIT. 1. APPRECIATE REF Δ LAST PARAGRAPH THINKING THAT ACKERMANN ACTUAL JOINT ENGAGEM AGREE TOTALLY WITH REF A LAST PARAGRAPH THINKING THAT ACKERMANN'S OFFER OF BRIEFING SHOULD BE ACCEPTED WHILE ACTUAL JOINT ENGAGEMENT PROBABLY NOT WORTHWHILE.

2. MUST NOTE THAT EXPERIENCE IN RECENT PAST WITH ACKERMANN IS THAT HE IS LONG ON WORD BUT SHORT ON ACTION. TO WIT, HE BEGAN THE JOINT OPS AGAINST THE SOVBLOC TARGET LITANY IN MID-NOV 82 WITH AN OVERALL PROPOSAL DURING ADDO'S VISIT TO CASCOPE HOS, PROMISING TO FOLLOW-UP ON DETAILS WITH NEVER HAPPENED. DURING END JAN 83 CHIEF IC STAFF ADM. BURKHALTER VISIT TO CASCOPE HOS WE COINCIDENTALLY RAN INTO ACKERMANN WHO AGAIN PROMISED TO HOS, WE COINCIDENTALLY RAN INTO ACKERMANN WHO AGAIN PROMISED TO "NEXT WEEK" GET BACK TO ON THE JOINT OPS BUSINESS. NEXT WE HEARD ON THIS TOPIC WAS IN FEB 83 WHEN HOS TOLD US THEY HAD BEEN ADVISED BY WASHINGTON CASCOPE STATION CHIEF THAT ACKERMANN WISHED TO PAY VISIT TO HQS IN LATE FEB (LATER POSTPONED TO BEGINNING JUNE) TO DISCUSS JOINT OPS. HOS NOTED THAT FILE INDICATED HE HAD BEEN MAKING SUCH PLEAS ANNUALLY "FOR AT LEAST THE LAST 4 YEARS." NOW HE HAS VISITED VIENNA AND, AS/ POINTS OUT, IS PROPOSING YET MORE TALK IN A MONTH. WE CANNOT HELP BUT BE SKEPTICAL OF MUCH MORE THAN CONVERSATION EVOLFVING

THAS NOT YET GOTTEN THE CZECH AMBASSADOR VIGNETTE FROM ACKERMANN. COINCIDENTALLY, IN RESPONSE TO REQUEST, WE IN PROCESS OF DRAFTING UP NOTE TO KICK OFF A CHAI WITH CASCOPE PRES OR VICE PRES WHEREIN WE MAKE PITCH FOR PNEXCEL/CASCOPE COOPERATION AGAINST CZECH TARGET IN FRG. SINCE SUCH MATTER WILL PREDICTABLY WIND UP ON ACKERMANN'S DESK, WONDER WHETHER

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E SHOULD DELAY A BIT SO IT WON'T LOOK LIKE WE JUMPING ON THE CKERMANN TIDBIT TO T

- 4. RE REF A PARA 7 EARLY WARNING MATTER, REF 8 WAS UTHORED IN RESPONSE TO LENGTHY HQS CABLE RELATING DISCUSSIONS HERE ON THAT TOPIC DURING ACKERMANN VISIT. IN SUM, WE SEE MUCH OF CKERMANN'S EARLY WARNING ACTIVITIES/PROPOSALS AS PROBABLE DUPLICATIONS OF NGOING BUNDESGRENZSCHUTZ PROGRAM OF DEBRIEFING LEGAL TRAVELERS, ESULTS OF WHICH INTER ALIA BOTH CASCOPE AND WE ALREADY RECEIVING. HOSE RESULTS ARE, FRANKLY, LESS THAN INSPIRING.
- 5. WE APPRECIATE REF A
 ARA 8 POSITIONING OF ACKERMANN SO WE ALL "STAY IN THE LOOP" AND
 GREE THAT A JOINT APPROACH TO DEALING WITH
 CKERMANN ON THE VARIOUS TOPICS A MOST EFFICIENT ONE.
- 6. REF A WAS RECEIVED AS REFS B AND C WERE GOING OUT. OOK FORWARD TO EXPLORATION OF LATTER TWO WITH AT ATEST WHEN HE DECIDES TO TAKE UP ACKERMANN BRIEFING OFFER.
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